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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Hideyuki YUYAMA et al. : Docket No.00120/P-4864  
Serial No. 09/335,189 : Group Art Unit 2166  
Filed June 17, 1999 : Examiner R. Morgan

DRUG PREPARATION INSTRUCTION SYSTEM

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**RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated July 25, 2001 ("Office Action"), having a three (3) month shortened-statutory period for response set to expire October 25, 2001, a petition for a two (2) month extension of time up to and including December 25, 2001, being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 13 and add new claims 26-31 as follows:

13. (Amended) A drug preparation/order system comprising:  
a control unit operable to carry out logic operations and to output control signals based on drug preparation data, said control unit comprising a data storage portion and a printer setting portion, said data storage portion being operable to store a first set of data corresponding to the drug preparation data;  
a monitor connected to said control unit, said monitor being operable to display a second set of data corresponding to the drug preparation data;